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I. Proposed provisional agenda for the substantive session of 2013 of the Council and preliminary list of documents for each agenda item[1]

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

Documentation

Annotated provisional agenda for the substantive session of 2013 (E/2013/100)

Proposed programme of work for the substantive session of 2013 (E/2013/L._)

Status of documentation for the substantive session of 2013 (E/2013/L._)

2. High-level segment

A. High-level policy dialogue with international financial and trade institutions

Documentation

World Economic and Social Survey, 2013 (General Assembly resolutions 118 (II) and 52/180 and Council resolution 1983/50)

World Economic Situation and Prospects, 2013 and mid-2013 update (General Assembly resolution 118 (II) and Council resolution 1990/52)

B. Annual ministerial review on the theme "Science, technology and innovation, and the potential of culture, for promoting sustainable development and achieving the Millennium Development Goals"

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the theme of the annual ministerial review for 2013 (General Assembly resolution 61/16 and Council decision 2011/208)

C. Thematic discussion on the theme (*to be decided*)

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the theme of the thematic discussion for 2013 (General Assembly resolution 61/16)

Relevant part of the report of the Secretary-General on regional cooperation (E/2013/15 and relevant addenda) (Council decision 2004/323)

[1] The proposed provisional agenda and preliminary list of documents will be updated further in the course of the preparations for the substantive session of 2013. The updates will appear in the annotated provisional agenda, which will be issued as document E/2013/100.

Operational activities segment

3. Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation

(a) Follow-up to policy recommendations of the General Assembly and the Council

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the quadrennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system (General Assembly resolutions 62/208, 63/232 and 65/177)[2]

Report of the Secretary-General on analysis of the funding of operational activities for development of the United Nations system for 2011 (General Assembly resolutions 35/81, 59/250, 62/208, 63/232, 63/311 and 64/289)

Report of the Secretary-General on results achieved and measures and processes implemented in follow-up to General Assembly resolution 62/208 on the comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system (General Assembly resolutions 62/208, 63/232, 63/311 and 64/289 and Council resolutions 2008/2, 2009/1, 2010/22 and 2011/7)

(b) Reports of the Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund/United Nations Office for Project Services, the United Nations Children's Fund, the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women, and the World Food Programme

Documentation

Reports of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund/United Nations Office for Project Services on its work during 2012 (E/2012/35) (General Assembly resolutions 48/162, 62/208 and 65/176 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Annual report of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme and the Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund (E/2013/5) (General Assembly resolutions 48/162 and 62/208 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Reports of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund on its second regular session of 2012 (E/2012/34/Rev.1) and its first regular and annual sessions of 2013 (E/2013/34 (Part I) and Add.1 and E/2013/34 (Part II)) (General Assembly resolutions 48/162 and 62/208 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Annual report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Children's Fund (E/2013/6) (General Assembly resolutions 48/162 and 62/208 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Report of the Executive Board of the World Food Programme on its 2012 sessions (E/2013/36) (General Assembly resolutions 48/162 and 62/208 and Council resolution 1995/51)

[2] Submitted to the General Assembly through the Council.

Annual report of the Executive Director of the World Food Programme for 2012 (E/2013/14) (General Assembly resolutions 50/8 and 62/208 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Annual report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (General Assembly resolution 64/289 and Council resolution 2011/5)

Annual report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (General Assembly resolution 64/289 and Council resolution 2011/5)

(c) South-South cooperation for development

Documentation

Report of the High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation on its eighteenth session (General Assembly resolutions 33/134 and 58/220)[2]

Coordination segment

4. The role of the United Nations system in implementing the ministerial declaration of the high-level segment of the 2012 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the role of the United Nations system in implementing the ministerial declaration of the high-level segment of the 2012 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council (Council resolution 2008/29)

Updated report of the Secretary-General on the role of the Economic and Social Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of the outcomes of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits, in the light of relevant General Assembly resolutions,[3] including resolution 61/16 (Council resolution 2010/24)[2]

Humanitarian affairs segment

5. Special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations (General Assembly resolution 52/12 B, Council decision 1999/208 and Council resolution 2012/3)

[3] 50/227, 52/12 B, 57/270 B and 60/265.

General segment

6. Implementation of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits

Updated report of the Secretary-General on the role of the Economic and Social Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of the outcomes of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits, in the light of relevant General Assembly resolutions,[3] including resolution 61/16 (Council resolution 2012/30)[2]

Report of the Chair of the Committee on World Food Security on the main decisions and policy recommendations made as well as the results achieved by the Committee in the area of food security and nutrition (Council decision 2011/217)

(a) Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development

Documentation

Summary by the President of the Council of the special high-level meeting of the Economic and Social Council with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (General Assembly resolutions 58/230, 62/187 and 65/145 and Council resolution 2010/26)[2]

(b) Review and coordination of the implementation of the Istanbul Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2011-2020

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Istanbul Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2011-2020 (General Assembly resolution 65/280 and Council resolution 2012/26)[2]

Relevant part of the report of the Committee for Development Policy on its fourteenth session (12-16 March)[2]

7. Coordination, programme and other questions

(a) Reports of coordination bodies

Documentation

Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on its fifty-third session (A/67/16) (General Assembly resolution 31/93 and Council resolution 2008 (LX))

Annual overview report of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination for 2012/13 (Council decision 2001/321)

(b) Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2014-2015

Documentation

Relevant sections of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2014-2015 (General Assembly resolution 58/269 and Council resolution 1988/77)

(c) Mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system (General Assembly resolution 62/137 and Council resolution 2012/24)

(d) Long-term programme of support for Haiti

Documentation

Report of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Haiti (Council resolution 2012/21)

(e) Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS)

Documentation

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Executive Director of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) (Council resolution 2011/19)

(f) African countries emerging from conflict

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of integrated, coherent and coordinated support to South Sudan (Council decision 2012/250)

(g) Calendar of conferences and meetings in the economic, social and related fields

Documentation

Provisional calendar of conferences and meetings for 2013-2014 in the economic, social and related fields (Council decisions 52 (LVII) and 1988/103)

8. Implementation of General Assembly resolutions 50/227, 52/12 B, 57/270 B and 60/265

Documentation

Updated report of the Secretary-General on the role of the Economic and Social Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of the outcomes of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits, in the light of relevant General Assembly resolutions,[3] including resolution 61/16 (Council resolution 2010/24)[2]

9. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on assistance to the Palestinian people (General Assembly resolution 57/147 and Council resolution 2100 (LXIII))[2]

Report of the President of the Council on consultations held with the Chairman of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples (Council resolution 2012/22)

Report of the Secretary-General on support to Non-Self-Governing Territories by the specialized agencies and international institutions associated with the United Nations (Council resolution 2012/22)

10. Regional cooperation

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on regional cooperation (E/2013/15 and addenda) (General Assembly resolution 1823 (XVII) and Council resolution 1817 (LV) and decision 1979/1)

The economic situation in the Economic Commission for Europe region: Europe, North America and the Commonwealth of Independent States (E/2013/16) (General Assembly resolution 1823 (XVII) and Council resolution 1817 (LV) and decision 1979/1)

Overview of the economic and social conditions in Africa (E/2013/17) (General Assembly resolution 1823 (XVII) and Council resolution 1817 (LV) and decision 1979/1)

Summary of the *Economic and Social Survey of Asia and the Pacific* (E/2013/18) (General Assembly resolution 1823 (XVII) and Council resolution 1817 (LV) and decision 1979/1)

Latin America and the Caribbean: economic situation and outlook (E/2013/19) (General Assembly resolution 1823 (XVII) and Council resolution 1817 (LV) and decision 1979/1)

Summary of the survey of economic and social developments in the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia region (E/2013/20) (General Assembly resolution 1823 (XVII) and Council resolution 1817 (LV) and decision 1979/1)

11. Economic and social repercussions of the Israeli occupation on the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the economic and social repercussions of the Israeli occupation on the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan (Council resolution 2012/23)[2]

12. Non-governmental organizations

Documentation

Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2013 regular session (21-30 January and 8 February 2013) (E/2013/32 (Part I)) (Council resolutions 3 (II) and 1996/31 and Council decisions 1995/304 and 2012/226)

Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its resumed 2013 session (20-29 May and 7 June 2013 (E/2013/32 (Part II)) (Council resolutions 3 (II) and 1996/31 and Council decisions 1995/304 and 2012/226)

13. Economic and environmental questions

Documentation

Updated report of the Secretary-General on the role of the Economic and Social Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of the outcomes of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits, in the light of relevant General Assembly resolutions,[3] including resolution 61/16 (Council resolution 2010/24)[2]

(a) Sustainable development

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Sustainable Development on its twentieth session (6-17 May 2013) (E/2013/29) (Council decisions 1993/207 and 2011/243)

Report of the Committee for Development Policy on its fifteenth session (18-22 March 2013) (E/2013/33) (Council resolutions 1079 (XXXIX) and 1998/46)

(b) Science and technology for development

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on its sixteenth session (Geneva, 3-7 June 2013) (E/2013/31) (General Assembly resolutions 46/235 and 56/182 and Council decision 2012/228)

(c) Statistics

Documentation

Report of the Statistical Commission on its forty-fourth session (26 February-1 March 2013) (E/2013/24) (Council resolutions 8 (I), 8 (II) and 1566 (L) and Council decision 2012/230)

(d) Human settlements

Documentation

Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) (General Assembly resolutions 32/162 and 56/206 and Council resolution 1978/1)[2]

Report of the Secretary-General on the coordinated implementation of the Habitat Agenda (Council resolution 2012/27)[2]

(e) Environment

Documentation

Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme (General Assembly resolutions 2997 (XXVII), 53/242 and 64/204)[2]

(f) Population and development

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Population and Development on its forty-sixth session (22-26 April 2013) (E/2013/25) (General Assembly resolution 49/128 and Council decision 2012/234)

(g) Public administration and development

Documentation

Report of the Committee of Experts on Public Administration on its twelfth session (15-19 April 2013) (E/2013/44) (Council resolutions 2001/45 and 2003/60 and decision 2012/252)

(h) International cooperation in tax matters

Documentation

Report of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters on its eighth session (15-19 October 2012) (E/2012/45) (Council resolution 2004/69 and Council decision 2012/255)

Report of the Secretary-General on the role and work of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters (Council resolution 2012/33)

(i) United Nations Forum on Forests

Documentation

Report of the United Nations Forum on Forests on its tenth session (Istanbul, Turkey, 8-10 April 2013) (E/2013/42) (Council resolution 2004/69 and Council decision 2011/249)

(j) Assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions

Documentation

No request for advance documentation

(k) Cartography

Documentation

Report of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names on the work of its twenty-eighth session (Council resolutions 715 A (XXVII) and 1314 (XLIV))

Report of the Tenth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for the Americas (Council resolutions 131 (VI) and 1839 (LVI))

(l) Women and development

Documentation

Relevant sections of the report of the Commission on the Status of Women on its fifty-seventh session (4-15 March 2013) (E/2013/27) (General Assembly resolution 42/178 and Council resolution 1987/24)

(m) Transport of dangerous goods

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (Council resolution 645 G (XXIII) and Council decision 2011/25)

14. Social and human rights questions

(a) Advancement of women

Documentation

Report of the Commission on the Status of Women on its fifty-seventh session (4-15 March 2013) (E/2013/27) (Council resolutions 11 (II), 1987/22 and 1996/6 and Council decision 2012/249)

Note by the Secretariat transmitting the outcomes of the 2012 sessions of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (article 21 of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women)[2]

(b) Social development

Documentation

Report of the Commission for Social Development on its fifty-first session (6-15 February 2013) (E/2013/26) (Council resolutions 1139 (XLI) and 1996/7 and Council decision 2012/236)

(c) Crime prevention and criminal justice

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice on its twenty-second session (Council resolution 1992/1 and Council decisions 1993/242 and 2012/238)

(d) Narcotic drugs

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on its fifty-sixth session (Council resolutions 9 (I) and 1991/39 and Council decision 2012/241)

Report of the International Narcotics Control Board for 2012 (article 15 of the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961; article 18 of the Convention on Psychotropic Substances, 1971; and article 23 of the 1988 United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances)

(e) United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

Documentation

Oral report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (General Assembly resolution 58/153)

(f) Comprehensive implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action

Documentation

No request for advance documentation

(g) Human rights

Documentation

Report of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights on its 2012 sessions (Council resolutions 1988 (LX), 1985/17 and 1995/39)

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (General Assembly resolution 48/141)[2]

(h) Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

Documentation

Report of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues on its twelfth session (20-31 May 2013) (E/2013/43) (Council resolution 2000/22 and Council decisions 2012/244 and 2012/245)

15. United Nations research and training institutes

Documentation

Report on the activities of the United Nations System Staff College in Turin, Italy (General Assembly resolution 60/214)

Report of the Council of the United Nations University on the work of the University (General Assembly resolution 61/216)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (General Assembly resolution 62/210 and Council resolution 2011/11)

II. Questions for inclusion in the programme of work of the Council for 2014 and preliminary list of documents for each agenda item[4]

Substantive session of 2014

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

Documentation

Annotated provisional agenda for the substantive session of 2014

Status of documentation for the substantive session of 2014

A. High-level segment

High-level policy dialogue with international financial and trade institutions

Documentation

World Economic and Social Survey, 2014 (General Assembly resolutions 118 (II) and 52/180 and Council resolution 1983/50)

World Economic Situation and Prospects, 2014 and mid-2014 update (General Assembly resolution 118 (II) and Council resolution 1990/52)

Development Cooperation Forum

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on trends and progress in international development cooperation (General Assembly resolution 61/16)

Relevant part of the report of the Secretary-General on regional cooperation (Council decision 2004/323)

Annual ministerial review on the theme "Addressing ongoing and emerging challenges for meeting the Millennium Development Goals in 2015 and for sustaining development gains in the future"

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the theme of the annual ministerial review for 2014 (General Assembly resolution 61/16, para. 10, and Council decision 2011/208)

Thematic discussion on the theme (to be decided)

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the theme of the thematic discussion for 2014 (General Assembly resolution 61/16, para. 2 (c))

Relevant part of the report of the Secretary-General on regional cooperation (Council decision 2004/323)

[4] The list of questions will be further revised in the light of the Council's deliberations on the proposed programme of work for 2014.

B. Operational activities segment

Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation

Follow-up to policy recommendations of the General Assembly and the Council

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on analysis of the funding of operational activities for development of the United Nations system for 2013 (General Assembly resolutions 35/81, 59/250, 62/208, 63/232, 63/311 and 64/289)

Report of the Secretary-General on results achieved and measures and processes implemented in follow-up to General Assembly resolution 62/208 on the comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system (General Assembly resolutions 62/208, 63/232, 63/311 and 64/289 and Council resolutions 2008/2, 2009/1 and 2010/22)

Reports of the Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme/ United Nations Population Fund/United Nations Office for Project Services, the United Nations Children's Fund, the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women, and the World Food Programme

Documentation

Report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/ United Nations Population Fund/United Nations Office for Project Services (General Assembly resolutions 48/162 and 62/208 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Annual report of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme and the Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund (General Assembly resolutions 48/162 and 62/208 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund (General Assembly resolutions 48/162 and 62/208 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Annual report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Children's Fund (General Assembly resolutions 48/162 and 62/208 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Annual report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (General Assembly resolution 64/289)

Annual report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (General Assembly resolution 64/289)

C. Coordination segment

The role of the United Nations system in implementing the ministerial declaration of the high-level segment of the 2013 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the role of the United Nations system in implementing the ministerial declaration of the 2013 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council (Council resolution 2008/29)

Updated report of the Secretary-General on the role of the Economic and Social Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of the outcomes of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits, in the light of relevant General Assembly resolutions,[3] including resolution 61/16[2]

D. Humanitarian affairs segment

Special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance

Report of the Secretary-General on the strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations (General Assembly resolution 52/12 B and Council decision 1999/208)

E. General segment

Implementation of and follow-up to the major United Nations conferences and summits

Documentation

Updated report of the Secretary-General on the role of the Economic and Social Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of the outcomes of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits, in the light of relevant General Assembly resolutions,[3] including resolution 61/16[2]

Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development

Documentation

Summary by the President of the Economic and Social Council of the special high-level meeting of the Council with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (General Assembly resolution 58/230)[2]

Review and coordination of the implementation of the Istanbul Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2011-2020

Documentation

Annual progress report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Istanbul Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2011-2020 (General Assembly resolution 61/1 and Council decision 2001/320)[2]

Coordination, programme and other questions

Reports of coordination bodies

Documentation

Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination (General Assembly resolution 31/93 and Council resolution 2008 (LX))

Annual overview report of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination (Council decision 2001/321)

Proposed strategic framework for the period 2016-2017

Documentation

Relevant sections of the proposed strategic framework for the period 2016-2017 (General Assembly resolution 58/269)

Mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system

Report of the Secretary-General on mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system (General Assembly resolution 62/137)

African countries emerging from conflict

Tobacco or health

Implementation of General Assembly resolutions 50/227, 52/12 B, 57/270 B and 60/265

Documentation

Updated report of the Secretary-General on the role of the Economic and Social Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of the outcomes of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits, in the light of relevant General Assembly resolutions,[3] including resolution 61/16[2]

Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on assistance to the Palestinian people (General Assembly resolution 57/147 and Council resolution 2100 (LXIII))[2]

Regional cooperation

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on regional cooperation (Council decision 1979/1)

Summaries of the surveys of economic conditions in the five regions prepared by the regional commissions (Council resolution 1724 (LIII))

Economic and social repercussions of the Israeli occupation on the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the economic and social repercussions of the Israeli occupation on the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan[2]

Non-governmental organizations

Documentation

Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2013 regular and resumed sessions (Council resolutions 3 (II) and 1996/31 and Council decision 1995/304)

Economic and environmental questions

Documentation

Updated report of the Secretary-General on the role of the Economic and Social Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of the outcomes of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits, in the light of relevant General Assembly resolutions,[3] including resolution 61/16[2]

Sustainable development

Documentation

Report of the Committee for Development Policy (Council resolution 1079 (XXXIX))

Science and technology for development

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development (General Assembly resolution 46/235, annex)

Statistics

Documentation

Report of the Statistical Commission (Council resolutions 1768 (LIV) and 1999/8)

Human settlements

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the coordinated implementation of the Habitat Agenda[2]

Environment

Documentation

Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme (General Assembly resolutions 2997 (XXVII) and 53/242)[2]

Population and development

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Population and Development (General Assembly resolution 49/128 and Council decision 1995/209)

Public administration and development

Documentation

Report of the Committee of Experts on Public Administration (Council resolutions 2001/45 and 2003/60)

International cooperation in tax matters

Documentation

Report of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters (Council resolution 2004/69)

Assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions

Cartography

Women and development

Documentation

Relevant sections of the report of the Commission on the Status of Women (General Assembly resolution 42/178 and Council resolution 1987/24)

Social and human rights questions

Advancement of women

Documentation

Report of the Commission on the Status of Women (Council resolutions 11 (II) and 1147 (XLI))

Report of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (article 21 of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women)[2]

Social development

Documentation

Report of the Commission for Social Development (Council resolutions 10 (II), 1139 (XLI) and 1996/7)

Crime prevention and criminal justice

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice (Council resolution 1992/1)

Narcotic drugs

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs (Council resolutions 9 (I) and 1991/39)

Report of the International Narcotics Control Board (article 15 of the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961; article 18 of the Convention on Psychotropic Substances, 1971; and article 23 of the 1988 United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances)

United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

Documentation

Oral report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (General Assembly resolution 58/153)

Comprehensive implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action

Human rights

Documentation

Report of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (Council resolutions 1988 (LX), 1985/17 and 1995/39)

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (General Assembly resolution 48/141)[2]

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

Documentation

Report of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (Council resolution 2000/22)

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Provisional agenda

1. Election of the Bureau.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
3. Basic programme of work of the Council.
4. Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments.

Annotations

1. Election of the Bureau

Rule 18 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council provides that, each year at the commencement of its first meeting, the Council shall elect a President and four Vice-Presidents from among the representatives of its members. The membership of the Council in 2013 is given in the annex below. According to the equitable geographical rotation of the office of the President among the regional groups, the President for 2013 should be the representative of a member of the Latin American and Caribbean States group. The four Vice-Presidents of the Council shall be elected from the other regional groups, excluding that to which the President belongs.

The President and Vice-Presidents shall constitute the Bureau. The Council, upon the recommendation of the President, shall decide on the special responsibilities of each of the Vice-Presidents.

Pursuant to Council resolution 1988/77, a meeting of the Council will be held on 25 January 2013 for the election of the Bureau.

2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

Rule 13 of the rules of procedure of the Council provides that, at the beginning of each session, after the election of the Bureau when required under rule 18, the Council shall adopt the agenda for the session.

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The present provisional agenda has been prepared in conformity with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 48/162 and of other relevant legislative decisions, including, in particular, the provisions of Assembly resolutions 50/227 and 61/16.

3. Basic programme of work of the Council

In accordance with rule 8 of the rules of procedure of the Council, the Council shall draw up, at its organizational session, with the assistance of the Secretary-General, its basic programme of work for the year.

Pursuant to Council resolution 1988/77 on the revitalization of the Council, the President, prior to the organizational session, and with the cooperation of the other members of the Bureau, will arrange for consultations with members of the Council on the draft programme of work and provisional agenda prepared by the Secretary-General and make proposals thereon for consideration by the Council.

Pursuant to Council decision 2006/206 on adapting the work of the Council, the President of the Council will convene consultations of the Council, on an as-available basis, to adapt its organization of work, agenda and current methods of work in pursuance of paragraphs 155 and 156 of the 2005 World Summit Outcome and the related provisions of General Assembly resolution 61/16.

The Council will have before it the proposed basic programme of work of the Council for 2013 and 2014 (E/2013/1) prepared by the Secretariat in accordance with the relevant decisions of the Council and of the General Assembly.

In its decision 2011/208, the Council decided that the theme of the annual ministerial review of the high-level segment of its substantive session of 2013 would be "Science, technology and innovation, and the potential of culture, for promoting sustainable development and achieving the Millennium Development Goals".

The Council's attention is further drawn to General Assembly resolution 61/16, in which the Assembly decided that the Council should continue to promote global dialogue, inter alia, through strengthening existing arrangements, including a thematic discussion on a theme from economic, social and related fields to be decided by the Council and informed by a report of the Secretary-General.

The Council's attention is also drawn to General Assembly resolution 67/199, in which the Assembly decided to hold open, transparent and inclusive consultations to review and explore the modalities of the financing for development process, including possible arrangements to strengthen the process, as well as options for bringing together the various processes covering development financing in an integrated manner, taking into account the recommendations contained in the report of the Secretary-General on modalities of the financing for development follow-up process.

Pursuant to Council resolutions 2009/30, 2010/26, 2011/38 and 2012/31, the President of the Council will convene consultations of the Council and between the Bureau of the Council and appropriate representatives of the governing bodies of the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development regarding the proposed dates (14 and 15 March 2013), substantive focus and format of the special high-level meeting of the Council with those institutions, in order to seek a more interactive,

dynamic and substantive discussion on key issues related to the financing for development framework. In its resolution 2012/31, the Council also welcomed the efforts undertaken to give more prominence to the consideration of the agenda item on financing for development during the annual substantive session of the Council, including the allocation of the item to its coordination segment.

In its resolution 2008/29, the Council decided that the coordination segment of its substantive session of 2013 would be devoted to the theme of the 2012 ministerial declaration on promoting productive capacity, employment and decent work to eradicate poverty in the context of inclusive, sustainable and equitable economic growth at all levels for achieving the Millennium Development Goals.

The Council's attention is drawn to General Assembly resolution 52/12 B, in which the Assembly decided to create a humanitarian affairs segment of the Council. In accordance with Council decision 1999/208, the Council, at its organizational session, may wish to select a theme for the humanitarian affairs segment of its substantive session of 2013.

Pursuant to Council decision 1982/174 on the rationalization of the work of the Council, the Council decided to identify, at its annual organizational session, a subject relating to interregional cooperation, of common interest to all regions, for detailed consideration under the agenda item on regional cooperation, and to request the executive secretaries of the regional commissions to submit their joint recommendations in that regard to the Council at its annual organizational session.

In its resolution 2012/33, the Council decided to hold a one-day meeting during the first half of 2013 to consider international cooperation in tax matters, including institutional arrangements to promote such cooperation and encouraged the President of the Economic and Social Council to issue invitations to representatives of national tax authorities to attend the meeting. The Bureau of the Council will propose the date of the meeting, following consultations with Member States and relevant international organizations.

Documentation

Proposed basic programme of work of the Council for 2013 and 2014 (E/2013/1)

4. Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments

The Council will hold elections to fill vacancies in its subsidiary bodies.

Documentation

Addendum to the provisional agenda of the organizational session for 2013 (E/2013/2/Add.1)[1]

[1] To be issued.

Annex

Members of the Economic and Social Council for 2013

	Term expires on 31 December
Albania	2015
Austria	2014
Belarus	2014
Benin	2015
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	2015
Brazil	2014
Bulgaria	2013
Burkina Faso	2014
Cameroon	2013
Canada	2015
China	2013
Colombia	2015
Croatia	2015
Cuba	2014
Denmark	2013
Dominican Republic	2014
Ecuador	2013
El Salvador	2014
Ethiopia	2014
France	2014
Gabon	2013
Haiti	2015
India	2014
Indonesia	2014
Ireland	2014
Japan	2014
Kuwait	2015

	Term expires on 31 December
Kyrgyzstan	2015
Latvia	2013
Lesotho	2014
Libya	2014
Malawi	2013
Mauritius	2015
Mexico	2013
Nepal	2015
Netherlands	2015
New Zealand	2013
Nicaragua	2013
Nigeria	2014
Pakistan	2013
Qatar	2013
Republic of Korea	2013
Russian Federation	2013
San Marino	2015
Senegal	2013
South Africa	2015
Spain	2014
Sudan	2015
Sweden	2013
Tunisia	2015
Turkey	2014
Turkmenistan	2015
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	2013
United States of America	2015